

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An entry control system for permitting authorized users to access a controlled area by moving a barrier, comprising:
a close button, the close button producing a coded signal when actuated by a user;
an entry request device for accepting a ~~user data input~~ user authorization code;
a controller operably coupled to the entry request device and the close button and having an output,
such that the controller receives ~~and authenticates the user authorization code~~ user data input and an indication of a position of the barrier and determines based at least in part upon ~~the a successful authenticating of the user authorization code~~ user data input and the indication of the position of the barrier whether a first control signal should be generated at the output, the controller also receiving the coded signal indicating an actuation of the close button and selectively generating a second control signal at the output based at least in part upon the indication of the position of the barrier.
2. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 comprising a barrier operator communicatively coupled to the controller at the output, the barrier operator receiving the first and second control signals.
3. (Previously presented) The system of claim 2 wherein the barrier operator selectively moves the barrier upon receipt of the first and second control signals.
4. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the entry request device is a keypad.
5. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the first control signal opens the barrier

and the second control signal closes the barrier.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the close button changes function after a predetermined time period.

8. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1 comprising a detector apparatus for detecting an RF-ID, and wherein the second control signal is not transmitted unless the controller detects an RF-ID.

9. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the second control signal is not transmitted unless the controller receives a biometric signature from a biometric identification system.

10. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the generation of the control signals is delayed for a predetermined time after the actuation of the close button.

11. (Currently amended) An entry control system for permitting authorized users to access a controlled area by moving a barrier, comprising:
a close button, the close button generating a coded signal when actuated;
an entry request device for accepting a user data input user authorization code;
a controller operably coupled to the entry request device and the close button and having an output,

such that the controller receives and authenticates the user authorization code user data input and determines based at least in part upon the a successful authenticating of the user authorization code user data input whether a first control signal should be generated at the output, the controller also receiving the coded signal indicating an actuation of the close button and selectively generating a second control signal.

12. (Previously presented) The system of claim 11 comprising a barrier operator communicatively coupled to the controller at the output, the barrier operator receiving the first and second control signals.

13. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12 wherein the barrier operator selectively moves the barrier upon receipt of the first and second control signals.

14. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein the entry request device is a keypad.

15. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein the first control signal opens the barrier and the second control signal closes the barrier.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Previously presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the close button changes function after a predetermined time period.

18. (Previously presented) The system of claim 17 wherein the close button changes to a stop button.

19. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11 comprising a ~~detector apparatus~~ for detecting an RF-ID, and wherein the second control signal is not transmitted unless the controller detects an RF-ID.

20. (Previously presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the second control signal is not transmitted unless the controller receives a biometric signature from a biometric identification system.

21. (Previously presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the generation of the control signals is delayed for a predetermined time after the actuation of the close button.